

Greetings from Ed & Suzie Buri



Family Bible Camp 2021

Dear Family and Friends,

May this letter find you in good health and encouraged in the Lord. While good physical health and spiritual wellness are often taken for granted, we truly are dependent upon God for everything. With that in mind, we thank God for change. In some cases, it's pleasant, while in others it's disappointing in at least some way. Life is like that on earth and it's a reminder that our only constant is God and His word.

An example of a change for me (Ed) is that I lost my father last August for the remainder of my time here on earth. Never again can I ask his advice about something, hear words of encouragement from him, or visit him in person. However, I have the wonderful assurance that I will see him again when I too am called home to be with our Lord. This somewhat recent change in my life brings some temporal losses but also a wonderful reminder of our eternal gain in glory.

Another change that we regularly encounter is the turnover of people in our ministry. Our folks are with us for a little while, and then the military moves them on to their next assignment. Like working with a conveyor belt, we can only impact lives for eternity while they are in our presence. When we hear of continued growth from some of these who have moved on, we rejoice.



Christopher, Selena, and Annagrace Ferrell

We'd like to share with you some recent examples of God's faithfulness. First, there is Christopher (pictured to the left with his family). He was active in our ministry for a couple of years until he was led by the Lord to leave active duty with the Air Force to pursue the ministry last September. He is now serving as a

pastor in training under a senior pastor in Virginia while he is attending seminary. Here are a few words he sent for us to share with you about his time with us:

"The En Gedi Hospitality House, run by the Buris, was a blessing to my family's life during our time in Idaho. We met many other brothers and sisters in Christ, and we are so thankful for their friendships. This ministry has helped both of us grow in our relationships with God. We are thankful to have had the opportunity to be involved in such a wonderful ministry and we look forward to seeing how this ministry will continue to show Christ's love to all those that God brings to that area."

Another example is Jeff Ritzert. Before coming to Mountain Home, he and his wife Ashley were active in another Cadence hospitality house ministry when she (the military member) was stationed in Germany. When I observed Jeff's maturity, I challenged him to grow by taking on more leadership in our group. He felt the Lord prodding him to do this as well, and he has done marvelously. Jeff has some seminary background and is memorizing lots of scripture as he too prepares for ministry. He was our speaker last year at Family Bible Camp and did a great job. In fact, our camp feedback form was full of max scores and great comments about his messages. Please pray as they move on to Hill AFB (Utah), that they would discover how the Lord would lead them to serve next.



Jeff Ritzert

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Suzie at the ladies' retreat in March



Suzie and the ladies on a hike in Box Canyon

Suzie just got back from a wonderful weekend with some ladies. They got to know one another and do things together, away from their busy lives at home. Their off-season lodging, on an island at the base of some beautiful spring-fed waterfalls, was ideal for uninterrupted sharing as well as for some fun stuff too.

On Saturday morning they participated in one of our “Half Days of Prayer,” though away from the rest of our group. (Each quarter we take our group out somewhere to just pray.) Our focus this time was “The Mind Under the Rule and Reign of Jesus Christ.” Each person went off on their own to pray and then the group reconvened to share what they experienced and learned during this time, which was a real highlight for the group.



Don and Sarah Kephart Family

Our final example of God working in our people’s lives is that of Dan and Sarah Kephart, whom we’ve mentioned before. The Lord has transformed them from a lost

family about to be broken up to a saved family now serving the Lord in ministry as Cadence Associate Field Staff while he is still on active duty with the Air Force in Virginia. What trophies of grace! Dan and his family will be coming back to Idaho to speak at our Family Bible Camp over Labor Day weekend, with the theme “Behold Our God.”

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- 1. As turnover season arrives, please join us in asking the Lord to steer incoming folks our way immediately upon their arrival. We are asking the Lord for more connections that will bear fruit for His glory.
- 2. We currently have fewer singles than families, and one of our singles really wants to have more singles here. Please pray for more singles to get involved this year.

God has been so gracious by allowing us to see His work in the lives of His people. And He’s used you to help us serve Him here. Thank you so much!

Suzie updates our blog (TheBuris.blogspot.com) and sends out email updates regularly. To be included, please e-mail her at: suzieburi@msn.com

Thank you for your faithful prayer and financial support. Without your partnership, we could not be here to reach out and minister to these wonderful people.

Love in Christ,

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